

Planning and Zoning Board Public Hearing

**Discussion of the City of Coral Gables
provisions related to trucks and
abandoned/junk motor vehicles**

October 12, 2011 - 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Order of Public Hearing

1. Overview
2. Code Enforcement process – Building and Zoning Department
3. Legal process – City Attorney

Applicable City Code and Zoning Code Provisions - Trucks

1. Zoning Code Article 4, “Zoning Districts”, Division 4, “Prohibited Uses”, Section 4-411, “Parking in residential areas”, and Section 4-412, **“Trucks, trailers, commercial vehicles, and recreational vehicles--Parking upon streets and public places”**;
2. Zoning Code Article 5, “Development Standards”, Division 19, “Signs”, Section 5-1902.D.8., **“General design standards that are applicable to all signs”**;
3. Zoning Code Article 8, **“Definitions”, “Truck”**;
4. City Code Chapter 34, “Nuisances”, Article III, “Lost, stolen, junked, abandoned property”, Division 2, “Vehicles”, Section 34-78, **“Abandoned or junk motor vehicles on public or private property prohibited; exceptions”**; and,
5. City Code Chapter 74, “Traffic and Vehicles”, Article I, “In general”, Section 74-4, **“Definitions”, “Commercial vehicle”**.

Summary of Legislation

Type	Date	City Action
Ordinance #1184	April, 1960	Established truck provisions for residential areas
Ordinance #1374	Dec., 1963	Miscellaneous update of provisions
Ordinance #1506	Oct., 1965	Change in hours of enforcement
Ordinance #1844	April, 1970	Included licensed contractors provisions
Ordinance #1976	Sept., 1972	-Permitted trucks within garages -Permitted advertising related to elections
Ordinance #1987	Sept., 1972	Amended to regulate campers and house trailers and include provision in Zoning Code
Ordinance #2273	Nov., 1977	Amended vehicle advertising related to elections
Ordinance #2536	Jan., 1985	Miscellaneous update of provisions
Resolution #2008-204	Nov., 2008	Directed City Attorney to schedule public hearings before the Planning and Zoning Board

August - 2005

- Amendments were drafted
 - Version A (see Tab 3 of binder)
 - Version B (see Tab 3 of binder)
- Planning and Zoning Board Minutes - 2005 (see Tab 4 of binder)
- Implementation of amendments were delayed due to current litigation

City Commission Truck Workshop

Sept. 13, 2011

City Commission requested the Board conduct a meeting to secure input to determine if the provisions should be updated, and if the Board recommends updating, what provisions should be updated

Local Government Truck Performance Standards Comparison

Performance Standards	Cities																	
	Coral Gables, FL	Barnegat, NJ	Bartlett, IL	Boynton Beach, FL	Burlington, WA	Calabasas, CA	Chicago, IL	Coral Springs, FL	Edmonds, WA	Gardner, KS	Jacksonville, FL	Orlando, FL	Palm Coast, FL	Riverside, IL	Royal Palm Beach, FL	Skokie, IL	St. Louis, MO	Weston, FL
Commercial vehicle regulations	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Government vehicle exemption	x					x		x										
Large truck prohibition	x	x					x								x	x	x	
Permit program							x		x									
Physical impairment accommodation								x										
Truck cover/cab permitted			x				x				x		x					
Truck location specifics		x																
Truck number limitation		x							x					x				
Truck screening/garaged	x		x		x		x	x				x		x	x			x
Truck size limitation		x		x		x	x	x	x	x	x		x		x		x	
Visitor pass program							x											

Board Direction

Secure the Planning and Zoning Board's input and recommendation as follows:

1. If changes are warranted to the current Zoning Code provisions? **or**
2. If changes are warranted, direction as to how the provisions should be amended? List of available performance standards may include the following:

Available Performance Standards for Regulation of Trucks

1. Disabled/ADA. Provide provisions for Disabled/ADA patrons subject to standards.
2. Commercial vehicles. Assess provisions for applicability in residential areas.
3. Government vehicle exemption. Exemption for government and emergency vehicles.
4. Large truck prohibition. Monster trucks, dually, semi's, etc.
5. Overnight parking. Allow parking at night.
6. Permit and/or registration program.
7. Signs. Commercial signs (option for removable magnetic signs).

Available Performance Standards for Regulation of Trucks

8. Truck location. Within property setbacks, side-yard, rear-yard, etc.
9. Truck number limitation. Limit number of trucks in a driveway, right-of-way or swale.
10. Truck screening. Screen trucks on three sides, garaged, etc.
11. Truck limitations. Regulate via size, weight, dimensions, height of body above ground, length, number of tires, open bed (items within truck bed), number of axles, etc.
12. Vehicle cover. Allow factory made tops, rigid covers, bed covers, form fitting tarps, etc.
13. Visitor pass program.

Public Notice Provided

Type of Notice	Date
Posted in Building and Zoning Department	09.19.11
Posted in Planning Department	09.19.11
Posted in Code Enforcement Division	09.19.11
Legal advertisement	09.21.11
Posted agenda on City web page/City Hall	09.21.11
Posted Staff report, City Attorney background info, legal ad on City web page	09.28.11
Issued Press Release	10.06.11
All Oct. 12 th Public Hearing Documents posted on web page	10.12.11

Press Release

Coral Gables City News

For Immediate Release
October 6, 2011
Contact: Maria Rosa Higgins Fallon
Public Affairs Manager
City of Coral Gables
305-460-5205

Notice of Public Hearing Regarding City of Coral Gables Truck Ordinance

- What?** The City of Coral Gables Planning and Zoning Board will be holding a public hearing to discuss the provisions related to trucks and abandoned/junk motor vehicles. Public input is welcomed.
- When?** Wednesday, October 12, 2011
6-9 p.m.
- Where?** Commission Chambers, City Hall
405 Biltmore Way, second floor, Coral Gables
- Contact?** For additional information, please contact the City of Coral Gables Planning Department at 305-460-5211 or send an email to planning@coralgables.com.

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405 BILTMORE WAY
CORAL GABLES, FL 33134
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Planning Department

Documents Available Online

- Staff Report
- City Attorney's Office Background information
- Legal Advertisement
- Staff's PowerPoint Presentation
- City Commission minutes – Sept. 13, 2011 Workshop
- Public comments received
- Applicable City Code and Zoning Code Sections
- Available Performance Standards for the Regulation of Trucks
- Local Government Truck Performance Standards Comparison

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“Planning Department page - Planning and Zoning Board Meeting –
Oct 12th Mtg”

October 12th Public Hearing Intent

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Code Enforcement Process

Building and Zoning Department

Legal Process

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